

TRANSPORTATION TO THE WEST.

Wheeling, May 20, 1834.

As frequent inquiries are made respecting the transportation of Goods from the *East to the West, via Baltimore and Wheeling*, the undersigned take this method of suggesting to their correspondents some general remarks.

The communication between BOSTON, NEW-YORK, PHILADELPHIA, &c., and BALTIMORE, is understood to be daily and direct. From BALTIMORE to WHEELING, Goods are carried by the Baltimore & Wheeling Transportation Co., in about Ten days, IN TWO DAILY LINES OF WAGONS, IN CONNECTION WITH THE BALTIMORE & OHIO RAIL-ROAD, and by numerous other Wagons in 14 a 16 days. It is confidently expected that early in the ensuing, if not in the present season, Goods by this route will be delivered at Wheeling in SIX days from Baltimore! The expense of Freight &c. (exclusive of Insurance) from New-York and Philadelphia to Baltimore, is 13 a 20 cts. per 100lb. according to the description of Goods—from Baltimore to Wheeling \$1.50 a \$1.62 per 100lbs, occasionally more or less according to the description of Goods and the quantity offering—thence to Cincinnati and Louisville 20 a 30 cts., and to Nashville and St. Louis 50 a 75 cts. per 100lbs. When Goods are shipped from a Northern Port, designed to come to our care, advice or instructions in relation to them, should be given to the Forwarding Merchant in Baltimore, and also to us per mail; or to the former with directions to communicate the same to us. If practicable, when the owner lives in the interior, give the name of the consignee selected at the place where the Goods are to be landed. If Insurance is desired, state the amount, and also whether a policy for a general or special average shall be taken (difference in the rates being 1 a 2 per cent in favor of the former) also if advice of the Shipment from this, will be expected. Charges at Baltimore, on a particular lot of Goods, may be debited (under advice) to our account, and collected by us with the carriage and our own charges to our correspondents in any part of the Western country, or if the owner residing East prefer it, we can value for the amount on him or his agent in Baltimore, without loss of Exchange. In general, packages should be strongly strapped or coopered, and legibly marked with the owner's and Consignee's names, as well as numbers and weight. During some 8 or 10 months in the year, goods can be forwarded from Wheeling per Steam Boats, and in the lowest stages of water per Keel and Flat Boats, without any delay. Although the voyage in very low water requires longer time, the rates of Insurance are but little, if at all advanced. The general rates on good Boats range from 1 a 2 per centum on goods, for ports on the Ohio, and 1 a 1 1/2 to St. Louis, Nashville, Florence &c. The experience of many of the largest dealers in the Western country bear out the assertion, that the route via Baltimore and Wheeling, is, the year round, for the transportation of general Merchandise from the Atlantic to the West, the safest, the most speedy, and consequently in the end the cheapest to the owner.

Unless instructions to the contrary are received, all goods are forwarded daily as they arrive, without preference to Boats, except in regard to their character for safety; and on all small lots, charges will be collected from the Boats by which the Shipment is made, and may be paid by the owner or consignee, on delivery, with the freight.

For the information of Shippers residing at the North, it may be proper to add, that between Wheeling and the interior of the State of Ohio, there is by wagons, on the great National Road, a daily communication. Goods shipped at Wheeling are exempt from the risk of 100 miles of navigation, to which shipments from Pittsburgh are necessarily subjected.

Produce from the West can be forwarded on the same principles and at a rate of carriage averaging generally about one half of the rate on goods from Baltimore. From Baltimore, Shipments of Produce can be made to any Eastern or Northern port at small expense.

N. B. Orders for Domestic Manufactures, such as Iron, Nails, Window Glass, Flint and Common Glass Ware, Saddlery, Hats, Paper, Cordage, Tin Ware, Wire Sieves, Shovels & Spades, Axes, &c. &c., can be executed on short notice and at the lowest Pittsburgh Prices.

KNOX & M'KEE,

Commission & Forwarding Merchants,

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WHEELING, VA.